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Senior leadership inspires, shapes Wildcat defense



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After last year's defensive failures by the Wildcats that included being ranked 106th overall in total defense in the NCAA, this year's squad is aiming to right the ship and prove that they will be able to shut down their opponents. In order to do so, the right leadership must be in place on both on the sidelines and on the field.

Senior safety Tysyn Hartman, junior linebacker Arthur Brown and sophomores Ty Zimmerman and Tre Walker, a safety and linebacker respectively, have all stepped on the defensive side and taken up leadership roles in their own unique ways.

"We have a number of young guys who are attempting to do (become leaders) but they all do that in a different way," said K-State head coach Bill Snyder. "It is very difficult to get someone to try to become truly out of

character for how they present their leadership role. We have some quality leadership on the defensive side of the ball."

Hartman has been a staple of the Wildcats' defense since the 2008 season, where he started the final eight games as a member of the secondary. He provides vocal leadership both on and off the field. He has been an academic All-Big 12 selection every season he has been an active member of the roster and was voted as a captain by the team the past two seasons.

"Tysyn Hartman has been a positive leader for us in his way," Snyder said. "He can be vocal, but that is not his overall nature. He can certainly speak his mind and is not hesitant to do that. He can also approach it from being a senior. You like to think that your senior leadership can have a positive approach about things since it is their last go around and he addresses it that way a great

deal."

Arthur Brown has also become a household name since he, along with his brother, transferred from Miami and Tennessee, respectively, to be Wildcats. A Wichita native, he is a more quiet, "lead-by-example" type of leader. His solid play during the spring game, summer training camp and the first

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head football coach

game against Eastern Kentucky were heavily noticed. Being the middle linebacker, he is often the primary communicator on the field, almost like a quarterback for the defense. He was voted a captain by his teammates this season, and so far leads the

team with seven tackles.

As for Zimmerman, his play last year earned him freshman All-American honors by various media outlets including Phil Steele and rivals.com. He started the last 12 games of the year and is looking to continue his success this year. He is also rated as the seventh best safety in the country by Lindy's.

"Ty Zimmerman has a way about him and he has gained a great deal of respect from his teammates for having become a starter at a really early age," Snyder said. "But I think his teammates respond to him as well as the others."

Hartman added that he and Zimmerman, his partner in the secondary, became roommates this summer and that the two have become extremely close friends.

Finally, Walker is another sophomore that has taken on a leadership role following an outstanding freshman year. As a freshman, he appeared in all of the team's

13 games and earned freshman All-American honors by Phil Steele. He finished the year strong, recording 38 of his 47 tackles in the final four games of the year. This year, his excitable nature on the field accompanied by his calm, mature demeanor off the field has allowed him to step into a leadership role on the defense.

"He is a more vocal leader than the others," Snyder said. "He is a very spirited young guy and a guy that is jumping up and down and patting guys on the back and those kinds of things. I appreciate that but that is not out of character for him."

Last year, the defense was ridiculed left and right by the media and the fans alike. After their week one performance against the Eastern Kentucky Colonels, it seems like the solid leadership on the field will drive the revamped defensive unit to a much more successful year in 2011.

BY THE NUMBERS

Stats to consider when K-State takes on Kent tomorrow

1
-The number of touchdowns scored by the K-State offense in week one.

For an offense that has the play-makers that the Wildcats do, this is a surprisingly low number. The offense's sloppy play resulted in their lone touchdown. Additionally, the offensive line was not able to control the line of scrimmage, some shaky decisions were made at the quarterback position and the playmakers were loose with the ball.

5
-The number of interceptions that the Kent State defense has in two games.

The Kent State offense may not be very good, but the defense is. Josh Pleasant leads the team in interceptions with two. The Golden Flashes are going to be able to give Collin Klein some problems and it will be key to make sure that Klein does not fall victim to the Kent State defense's games.

7
-Tackles that Arthur Brown had in his first game as a Wildcat.

The presence that Brown provided on the field was every bit as big as these seven tackles. Arthur Brown was flying all over the field and was one of the main reasons that the defense was more effective. Brown also brings a lot more speed to the defense — look for him to keep building on the seven tackles from week one.

19
-The amount of points that Kent State has scored in their first two games.

As good as their defense has been playing, the Kent State offense has been equally as bad. In last week's 20-12 loss to Louisiana-Lafayette, the offense actually outgained the Ragin' Cajuns 186-159, but the offense had four turnovers, including an interception that went for a touchdown. The K-State defense should be able to have a very effective day if they come to play like they did against Eastern Kentucky.

88
-Rushing yards that John Hubert had to lead the Wildcats against Eastern Kentucky.

This may be the bright spot for the offense from week one. Hubert was constantly able to get good yardage on his carries as he averaged 5.2 yards per carry. Hubert will be key in the game against Kent State because the Golden Flashes defense only gave up 65 yards to Heisman trophy candidate Trent Richardson. year. Between the size and the fact they are all between 6 feet 2 inches and 6 feet 8 inches tall, these guys are mountainous. Not good news for UCLA, but it's definitely going to bode well for the Wildcats to have linemen who move easily but cannot be moved easily by others.

-Compiled by Mark Kern

Snyder hopes changes to offense increase production

Tyler Dreiling
staff writer

The performance of K-State's offense against Eastern Kentucky two weeks ago could perhaps, at best, be described as effective when the team needed it most. The Wildcats scored 10 fourth quarter points to escape with a 10-7 victory in the season opener.

But for Saturday's matchup with Kent State, coach Bill Snyder admits the offense will have to be a lot better. Snyder took a lot of the blame for the lack of production against ECU, citing his usage of a reduced playbook. He said that will change against the Golden Flashes.

"I think that we are at a point in time where you have to have (the entire playbook) available," he said. "We are in a position where we are going to try and do that and make it all available. We probably put 15 percent of it on the field (against ECU)."

The Wildcats struggled in every phase of the offense, turning the ball over five times and collecting only 303 total yards despite having possession for almost 37 minutes.

The ten points scored by K-State were its fewest in a non-conference home game since a 24-6 loss to Louisville in 2006.

Quarterback Collin Klein, who passed for 128 yards, one touchdown and one interception on 21 passes, said it was a collection of small mistakes that led to the below-average performance as a whole.

"It is a game of inches; across the board we made so many little errors and we were coordinated enough to spread it out over the entire game," he said. "It would have



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been easier if we would have gotten it out of our system. One little thing here, one little thing there changed the layout of the ballgame. It is never as good as it seems, and it is never as bad as it seems. We just have to keep building, and keep fighting."

The offense's chance at redemption will come against a Kent State defense with some confidence. The Golden Flashes have forced eight turnovers in their first two games and allowed only 26 percent of third-downs to be converted.

"They're going to do different things," Klein said.

Among the changes K-State's offense will make on Saturday is some shifting at offensive line positions. Nick Puetz and Colten Freeze will start at left and right guard, respectively, while B.J. Finney will move from right guard to replace Shaun Simon at the starting center position.

"They work diligently at what they do," Snyder said of the offensive linemen. "They have some progress to make but they are so youthful that every day is a new experience for them and they are getting

acclimated to it. They are intelligent young people and it is a matter of taking what you learn in the classroom to the field and replicating it time and time again. The more repetitions they get the better they become."

At running back, John Hubert has been named the starter, with Angelo Pease and Bryce Brown both taking backup roles.

Against the Colonels, Hubert ran for 88 yards on 17 carries. Klein added 78 yards on 25 carries and Brown carried the ball three times for 16


yards.

But the most concerning statistic involving the running game was far and away the five fumbles for the Wildcats, four of them lost and one of them setting up ECU's lone score of the game.

Kent State will likely try to exploit the Wildcats' weaknesses. The Golden Flashes are plus-3 in turnover margin, despite being winless in two games this season.

K-State has scored just 17 offensive points and converted nine of 38 third-down opportunities.

Heisman watch update: as season progresses front runners shape up

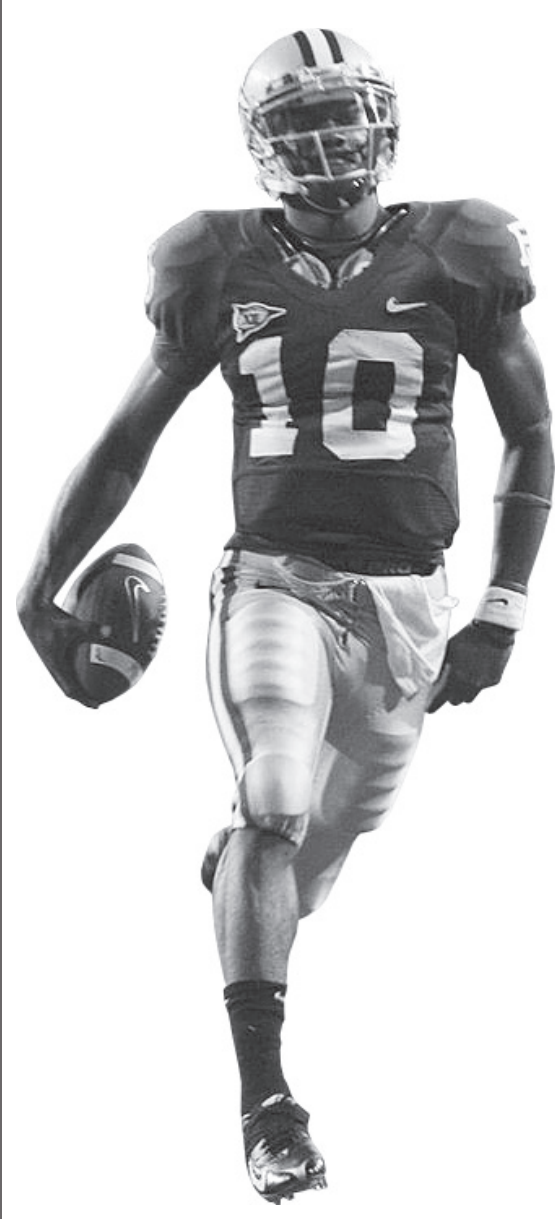


QB ANDREW LUCK, STANFORD, SENIOR

Season: 20-of-28 passing for 290 yards, four Touchdowns and one interception; three rushes for two yards in 44-14 win over Duke.

Luck came into the year as the clear-cut favorite to win the Heisman trophy, and he has done nothing to hurt his chances of winning. Luck has Stanford playing at a very high level early in the season. The Stanford Cardinal have to go to Tucson to face an Arizona team that also can put up a lot of points. This should give Luck a chance to really pad his stats as well as get a win against a quality team on the road, which will only help his chances to win the prestigious Heisman.


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QB ROBERT GRIFFIN, BAYLOR, JUNIOR

Season: 21-of-27 passing for 359 yards, five touchdowns; 10 rushes for 38 yards and one reception for 15 yards.


Robert Griffin put himself to the top of the leader board with his outstanding performance against Texas Christian University. With the Baylor defense being shaky, Griffin is going to have to put up huge numbers in order for Baylor to compete and win game. The more Baylor keeps winning and the more Griffin keeps putting up these statistics, the more notice he is going to get around the country. Griffin will have an opportunity to start padding those stats as Baylor plays host to Stephen F. Austin State University, who may not to contain the explosive Baylor offense.



MARCUS LATTIMORE, SOUTH CAROLINA, SOPHOMORE

Season: 50 rushes for 288 yards and four touchdowns; five receptions for 41 yards.

Heisman Trophy awards are generally won because of big performances in big games. Lattimore did just that in last week's game against Georgia in a huge Southeastern Conference battle. Lattimore dominated the Bulldogs for 176 yards and a touchdown, including the go ahead touchdown late in the fourth quarter. Lattimore also has the advantage of playing in the SEC, where every game seems to be a big game, so as long as South Carolina keeps winning, Lattimore will play a huge role in the Heisman trophy race.



QB DENARD ROBINSON, MICHIGAN, JUNIOR

Season: 20-of-37 passing for 436 yards, four touchdowns and three interceptions; 24 rushes for 154 yards and one touchdown.

In one of the most exciting finishes in college football in the past decade, Robinson was the player that made the plays to get the victory for Michigan. Robinson has widely been regarded as the most exciting player in the country, but by going out and getting the win in a huge game with seemingly no chance, he gave himself that defining moment that will carry him a long way.

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If you are a fan of the high scoring up-tempo style of game, then this may not be a game that you enjoy. Between the two teams in three combined games, there have only been three combined touchdowns scored by the offense.

The Kent State offense will be led by quarterback Spencer Keith. In the first two games he is 35-80 on the year, for a 44 percent rate. His struggles have put an added pressure on running back Jacquise Terry to help get the offense going, and he has only been able to muster 45 yards on 20 carries in two games. If the Kent State offense is going to have any kind of success against the improved K-State defense, Terry must have a good game.

The Kansas State offense has had some similar woes. Collin Klein was not particularly sharp in the opener against the Eastern Kentucky Colonels, and that was in part because of the offensive line's struggles and also because of turnovers. The Wildcats had five turnovers, including four fumbles and could just never get in rhythm. The K-State offense would like to establish the run game and then use the effectiveness of the run game to start passing the ball. Running back John Hubert started to run the ball well in the second half and it helped to open up the defense a little bit as evident by Klein's end of the game touchdown pass to Chris Harper.

While neither offense has looked well in the early part of the season, the Wildcats have more playmakers and they should come out and play much better, giving them the edge.

Defense has been the strength of both teams at the beginning of the season. Kent State was able to force Alabama into four turnovers in their week one game, while K-State only gave up one touchdown in their opener, and that was after Eastern Kentucky started with the ball at the one yard. Points will come at a premium in this game.

Kent State is an opportunistic defense that will play many different kinds of defense in hopes of confusing the offense. Their secondary is the strength of the defense led by preseason All Conference defensive back Josh Pleasant. The senior has 11 tackles and two interceptions from the season's first two games. The run defense has been equally impressive this year as they were able to shut Trent Richardson of Alabama to 30 yards on 13 carries. This defense will be able to give K-State some problems.

Kansas State was equally as impressive in game one. They were able to hold the Colonels of Eastern Kentucky to 129 yard of total offense. Even more impressive, was the run defense as they helped ECU to 10 yards on 27 rushing attempts. That is 0.4 yards per carry. That is outstanding. Coming off of last year where the defense took a lot of heat, the defense seems to have responded well to the criticism. The overall team speed on defense looks vastly improved, enabling the defense to fly over the field and make more plays.

Overall, these are two solid defenses. K-State gets the nod here as the Kent State defense leaves themselves more susceptible to giving up big plays. Both of these defenses are going to give the opposing offenses problems, so it should be a tough, hard hitting, low scoring game.

SPECIAL TEAMS

K-State in the opener had both good and bad moments in special teams. David Garret was able to break a kickoff return for a 48 yard gain, but Ty Zimmerman fumbled a punt and Anthony Cantele missed a 36 yard field goal. Kent State's Matt Rinehart comes into the game average 43.5 yards per punt and kicker Freddy Cortez is two for two on the year, including a 44 yard field goal. The kicking game has been really good for Kent State and they have been able to avoid the turnovers, so far those reasons, the edge is going to the Golden Flashes secondary.

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Oklahoma quarterback **Landry Jones** makes a pass against the University of Tulsa. Jones will look to lead the Sooners to a victory against Florida State on Saturday.



Games to watch: week 3

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This game features two teams that had a rocky off-season, to say the least. The Ohio State Buckeyes lost their head coach Jim Tressel due to NCAA violations and Miami, of course, is still dealing with their scandal. Ohio State has been less than impressive in their victories over in-state opponents Akron and Toledo. Buckeyes quarterback Joe Bauserman will be starting on the road for the first time in his career and Miami is not going to be an easy environment. The Hurricanes lost 32-24 last week to Maryland, but will be getting starting quarterback Jacory Harris back from a one game suspension. How Harris comes back and plays will go a long way in determining how this game will turn out.



In what once was one of the biggest rivals in college football, the Volunteers and the Gators will both be looking for a 3-0 start. Tennessee comes in to Gainesville, Fla. not having beat the Gators in any of their last six games. There is reason for optimism, though, as Tennessee has looked very sharp early in the year, especially in last week's 45-23 over a sold-out Cincinnati. The Gators come into the game averaging 40 points a game, compared to 29 a game last year. The key to the offense has been the improved play of quarterback Jeff Brantley. Brantley will be tested by a fast defense from Tennessee and this has the potential to be a very exciting game.



Last year, these two teams played in Norman, Okla., and the end result was not pretty. Oklahoma beat Florida State 47-17 and really dominated the game from start to finish. However, this Florida State team is a lot better than last year's team and have been looking forward to this game for a long time. Quarterback E.J. Manuel has looked good in the first two games as quarterback and he has plenty of weapons on the outside to throw the ball to. The Florida State defense has only given up 10 points this year, but the Oklahoma offense is a different giant. Landry Jones will lead a potent offense into Tallahassee, Fla. and the battle of the OU offense vs. the FSU defense will be the key to the game. Expect Doak Campbell Stadium to be rocking in what should be the game of the day.



Notre Dame is coming off a devastating loss to the Michigan Wolverines where their defense allowed Michigan to go 80 yards in 21 seconds and score a touchdown with two seconds left. It is going to be interesting to see how Notre Dame bounces back from that game. The Fighting Irish have to stop turning the ball over, as they have turned it over nine times in the first two games. In comes Michigan State, ranked number 15 in the country. The Spartans will bring to South Bend a very balanced offensive attack led by quarterback Kirk Cousins and running back Edwin Baker. This is a very winnable game for Notre Dame if they can limit the turnovers, but that will remain to be seen.



Oregon seemed to have found their offensive attack last weekend against Nevada as they posted 66 points and over 600 yards offense. It was a good way to respond after the 40-27 loss to LSU in week one. Darron Thomas tied a school record with six touchdown passes and will look to continue this streak against Missouri State. Oregon will be the division I team that the Bears have faced as they lost 51-7 to Arkansas in week one. The Bears were picked to get last in the Missouri Valley Conference. The speed of Oregon is too much for the Bears and this one could get ugly in a hurry.

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JACQUISE TERRY
HALFBACK #22

Terry is the focal point in the Golden Flashes offensive attack. He has scored two of the teams three total touchdowns. The offense has struggled this year and Terry is going to be one of the main guys in getting the offense going.

C.J. MALUULU
LINEBACKER #43

The middle linebacker had an outstanding game in his first game. Maululu had a sack that was good for a safety, to go along with seven tackles and two pass break-ups. Maululu will be key in making sure that the Wildcats can not get into a rhythm offensively.

JOSH PLEASANT
DEFENSIVE BACK #2

The senior defensive back is part of a stout secondary. Pleasant has an interception in each of the first two games to lead the team, as well as having 11 tackles.

0 = OFFENSE
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Breaking down the Golden Flashes; offense will be the key

Sean Frye
staff writer

The K-State Wildcats are facing the Kent State Golden Flashes, a 0-2 team that took their losses at the hands of the No. 2 Alabama Crimson Tide and the Louisiana-Lafayette Ragin' Cajuns, a team that K-State lost to two seasons ago. The best feature of the Golden Flashes is their defense, which allowed fewer than 23 points-per-game last year and forced the Crimson Tide, a national title contender, into five turnovers on the opening week of the season this year. Their defense is also impressive. They use a lot of movement on the defensive line prior to the snap, similar to Eastern Kentucky's strategy on defense two weeks ago, to create confusion.

"For our offensive linemen, the ability to get off on the snap and not be slow off the ball I think is important," K-State head coach Bill Snyder said. "To be able to have an anticipation about the things that are going to take place — (for the quarterback) it's a mental checklist that you have to be able to go through. All of that centers under the category of focus and discipline. You have to have the discipline to execute and take the right steps at the right time and react to the things you see in front of you."

Defensively, linebacker Luke Batton and defensive back Josh Pleasant lead the Golden Flashes. Batton leads the team in tackles with 17, while Pleasant's two interceptions pace the defense.

"They've been one of the best in the country (defensively)," Snyder said. "They're similar to us where they play extremely well on defense and struggle on offense. You don't get four interceptions off of Alabama; to get five turnovers on them speaks very highly of what they're doing. Last year, they were top 10 nationally in total defense and higher than that against the run."

Offensively is where the weakness lies for the Golden Flashes. So far this year, they have only gotten a team total of 63 net-yards rushing.

"I am pretty confident. I think that we prepared pretty well and everyone has been looking to improve and do their part to make this team better."

Jordan Voelker
K-State defensive end

Starting quarterback Spencer Keith has failed to produce as well this year, as he has only completed 35 of his 80 pass attempts and has tossed two interceptions. Those statistics have a revamped K-State defense feeling confident about Saturday's match-up.

"I am pretty confident," K-State starting defensive end Jordan Voelker said. "I think that we prepared pretty well and everyone has been looking to improve and do their part to make this team better."

One aspect of K-State that has hidden their true identity as a team thus far this season has been their opponents. The Crimson Tide, who beat Kent State 48-7, are national title contenders, and an early-season match-up against them is an unfair barometer of the Golden Flashes. As for their game against the Ragin' Cajuns, where the Golden Flashes lost 20-12, the game was marred by a one hour and 22 minute rain and lightning delay reminiscent of last year's K-State game vs. the University of Central Florida.

"The first two ball games for them have been very interesting," Snyder said. "Alabama can make a lot of people not look so good. They create problems for virtually anybody that they play. Louisiana-Lafayette, you have to realize that we went down there two years ago and came back with our hat in our hand. Louisiana-Lafayette is a good program and then to play that in the storm that they had, you don't know exactly how it impacted their football team. We just haven't seen to what would amount a normal game for them up to this point in time, so I don't know how good a football team they truly are."

Overall, the match-up could go either way. It will come down to K-State's offense, which reportedly only opened up around 15 percent of their playbook in the game against Eastern Kentucky. If the offense can turn around their dismal performance against the Colonels and perform well enough against the stout defense of the Golden Flashes, the Wildcats will have the edge.

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Wildcats could benefit tomorrow from time off last week

Sean Frye
staff writer

Never has the mood been so negative following a win two Saturdays ago after the Wildcats' performance against the Eastern Kentucky Colonels. The Colonels are a Football Championship Subdivision team, the equivalent of the former Division I-AA. The Wildcats beat the Colonels 10-7 to earn themselves an opening day win, but it looked sloppy at best.

It took a last-minute 33-yard touchdown pass from Collin Klein to Chris Harper to give the Wildcats their first lead of the game. As Colonels wide receiver Tyrone Goard put it, "it was heartbreaking because we tasted victory."

There are no ifs, ands, or buts about it. An FCS team should never, ever taste victory against any team from the Big 12 Conference. With a revamped defense and an offense that has the weapons to be explosive, the Wildcats should have jumped all over the Colonels early. And everybody knows it.

When the schedule was released, many people scoffed at the fact that the Wildcats faced an open date on their schedule in just the second week of the season. In the weekly press conference last week, head coach Bill Snyder, along with the rest of the K-State nation, made his opinion known of the upcoming bye week.

"It is a godsend," said Synder.

For the Wildcats, the bye week truly was a gift from the

man upstairs, as they had so many things, particularly problems with the offensive line and overall effectiveness of the offense, to work on.

Snyder has announced various changes to the depth chart following the bye week. Three changes were made to the starting lineup of the offensive line alone. John Hubert is the sole starter at running back, with Angelo Pease and Bryce Brown being the second and third guys to see the field.

On Tuesday during Snyder's weekly press conference, the overall mood of Snyder and the players available to the media was that they have made the corrections necessary and will be ready to face the Kent State Golden Flashes. Tysyn Hartman and Jordan Voelker both expressed confidence in where the defense stands, but that is easy considering that defense was not the issue in week one and the Golden Flashes are not known for having a high-powered offense.

As for the offense, starting center B.J. Finney, who is being moved from guard after week one, also expressed confidence that he, along with the rest of his unit, will have their game together and will be successful on Saturday.

Talking the talk is one thing. Walking the walk is another. The question going into the season before the Eastern Kentucky disaster was "how high is the ceiling?" Now everybody seems to be asking "how low can they go?"

Snyder got his God-sent



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gift of a bye-week to correct all the problems on the field that needed to be corrected. Now it is time for him to put a competitive team on the field that, after walking off the field against Kent State, will not only

be victorious, but will be confident going into a highly anticipated matchup at Miami.

The trust for Snyder and his ways is still there. Remember, he did orchestrate the greatest turnaround of a football

program in NCAA history. He brought the first and only Big 12 title to Manhattan. He is a great coach that knows how to put a competitive team on the field.

For the sake of the players,

coaches, fans and everybody else in attendance and watching around the country on Saturday, he has to prove once and for all that week one's near catastrophe against the Colonels was an anomaly.

AP Top 25 Poll: Sept. 12 - 18

Rank	Team	Record	Votes	Previous
1	Oklahoma (31)	1-0	1,440	1
2	Alabama (10)	2-0	1,423	3
3	LSU (17)	2-0	1,417	2
4	Boise State (2)	1-0	1,307	4
5	Florida State	2-0	1,195	5
6	Stanford	2-0	1,161	6
7	Wisconsin	2-0	1,091	8
8	Oklahoma State	2-0	1,035	9
9	Texas A&M	1-0	1,025	7
10	South Carolina	2-0	892	12
11	Nebraska	2-0	889	10
12	Oregon	1-1	846	13
13	Virginia Tech	2-0	827	11
14	Arkansas	2-0	770	14
15	Michigan State	2-0	602	17
16	Florida	2-0	515	18
17	Ohio State	2-0	459	15
18	West Virginia	2-0	416	19
19	Baylor	1-0	371	20
20	South Florida	2-0	351	22
21	Auburn	2-0	348	NR
22	Arizona State	2-0	308	NR
23	Texas	2-0	161	24
23	TCU	1-1	161	25
25	Mississippi State	1-1	124	16

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ATHLETIC CALENDAR

K-State Athletic Schedule: Sept 17-23	
Saturday	
Football	vs. Kent State 6:00 p.m. at Bill Snyder Family Stadium
Volleyball	vs. St. Mary's 7:00 p.m. at Saint Mary's Tournament in Maraga, Calif.
Women's Tennis	at 36th Annual Milwaukee Classic in Milwaukee, Wis.
Sunday	
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Monday	
Men's Golf	at UTA Waterchase Invitational in Fort Worth, Texas
Tuesday	
Men's Golf	at UTA Waterchase Invitational in Fort Worth, Texas
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	
Women's Tennis	Hoosier Classic in Bloomington, Ind.
Equestrian	vs. Minnesota-Cookston 10:00 a.m. at Timbercreek Stables

K-State Athletic Schedule: Sept 24-30	
Football	vs. Miami TBA in Miami, Fla.
Volleyball	vs. Baylor 7:00 p.m. at Ahearn Field House
Cross Country	at Roy Griak Invitational in Minneapolis, Minn.
Women's Rowing	
Sunday	
Women's Tennis	at Hoosier Classic in Bloomington, Ind.
Monday	
Women's Golf	at Marilyn Smith/Sunflower Invitational at Colbert Hills
Tuesday	
Women's Golf	at Marilyn Smith/Sunflower Invitational at Colbert Hills
Wednesday	
Volleyball	vs. Missouri 6:30 p.m. in Columbia, Mo.
Thursday	
Friday	

Twirlers Rock



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A K-State baton twirler performs before kickoff at Bill Snyder Family Stadium when K-State hosted Eastern Kentucky earlier this season. After a bye week last Saturday, the Wildcats will play Kent State this Saturday in Manhattan.

United Front



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The captains of K-State's football team walk to midfield before the start of the game against Eastern Kentucky. After beating the Colonels in their first game, and a bye week last weekend, the Wildcats will host Kent State on Saturday.

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